(*d*) How many major operations were performed by Dr. Ponnuswami Pillai from Kumbham, 1098, to Vrischikam, 1099 ?

(*e*) What were the diseases in those cases ?

(*f*) How many of them were successful ?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : Statements* furnishing the required information are laid on the table.

Unsuccessful Surgical Operations by Dr. Ponnuswami Pillai.

316. MR. T. KUMARA PILLAI (*Eraniel* cum *Vilavankod*) : (*a*) Will the Government be pleased to state whether in Vrischikam, 1099, a patient who was operated upon in the General Hospital met with instant death as the result of a subsequent operation performed on him by Dr. Ponnuswami Pillai ?

(*b*) What was the disease for which he was operated upon originally ?

(*c*) Who performed that operation ?

(*d*) For what disease was the subsequent operation performed ?

(*e*) Who were the medical officers who helped Dr. Ponnuswami Pillai at the time of the second operation ?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) to (*d*) A patient was operated upon by Dr. Ponnuswami Pillai, for strangulated hernia of four days' duration with bad symptoms. The patient died. There was no second operation.

(*e*) The question does not arise.

Transhipment of Cargo at the Alleppey Port.

317. MR. C. RAMANKUNJU (*Nominated*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) how many tons of cargo were landed from and loaded into steamers and Indian craft at the port of Alleppey during 1097 and 1098 by boats owned by merchants and non-merchants, respectively ;

(*b*) how many lighters are owned by merchants and non-merchants respectively ;

(*c*) how many complaints of loss of cargo were preferred by *tindals* of lighters owned by merchants and non-merchants, respectively, during 1097 and 1098, and what was the amount of loss involved in each case ;

(*d*) how much of the loss occurred during night time ;

(*e*) for how many days in 1098 the lighters were allowed to ply at night ; and

(*f*) whether boats are allowed to ply during night in the Cochin Port, and if not, how the authorities there manage to restrict the shipping to day-time ?

* *Vide* appendix III A and B—pages 1094 and 1095.

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